

The Crime and Misconduct

We are an independent law enforcement and integrity agency established under the *Crime and Misconduct Act 2001*

Our vision

That the CMC make a unique contribution to protecting Queenslanders from major crime and promoting a trustworthy public sector

Our history is an important part of Queensland's history

The CMC came into existence on 1 January 2002 with the merger of the Criminal Justice Commission (CJC) and the Queensland Crime Commission (QCC).

The CJC had been established to help restore confidence in our public institutions after the revelations of the 1987–89 Fitzgerald Inquiry into police corruption. The inquiry also led to the creation of the Queensland witness protection service within the CJC.

For several years, in addition to investigating police and public sector misconduct, the CJC worked with the police to investigate organised and major crime. In 1997 this crime function was taken over by the newly formed QCC, which was also tasked with investigating paedophilia. In 2001 the Queensland Government decided to form a single body to fight crime and public sector misconduct – the Crime and Misconduct Commission, a statutory body created under the *Crime and Misconduct Act 2001*.

Our peer agencies

Today, our peer agencies are the Independent Commission against Corruption (New South Wales), the Police Integrity Commission (New South Wales), the Office of Police Integrity (Victoria), the Corruption and Crime Commission (Western Australia) and the Integrity Commission (Tasmania). However, there is no other agency in Australia with the same breadth of functions in one organisation.

Our objectives are to:

- Prevent and combat major crime
- Promote a trustworthy public sector
- Provide an effective witness protection service
- Demonstrate organisational excellence using a skilled, committed workforce.

We help keep Queenslanders safe by investigating crime and misconduct

We investigate organised crime, drugs and firearms, networked paedophilia, and public sector and police misconduct. To do this we have been granted special powers to hold public and closed investigative hearings, compel people to give testimony, and use telecommunications interception powers.

We oversee a Queensland public sector of 183 000 employees, as well as 15 000 members of the Queensland Police Service. We protect people who give evidence against criminals. We may also conduct independent reviews of legislation or matters of public interest at the request of government.

Our leadership is accountable to parliament and the people

The CMC is headed by a five-member group referred to as 'the Commission'; it comprises the Chairperson/CEO and four part-time Commissioners. The current Chairperson is the Honourable Martin Moynihan AO QC who was appointed to the position in February 2010.

We are accountable to parliament through the Parliamentary Crime and Misconduct Committee (PCMC). We also report to the Attorney-General as we operate within Queensland's justice portfolio.

Commission

Our values

Integrity | Accountability

Excellence | Innovation

Respect | Collaboration

The CMC plays an important role in Queensland public life. Our continued existence ensures there is an independent body striving to keep our children safe; our institutions, politicians and public officials ethical and accountable; our police honest; and our communities as free as possible of corruption and organised crime.

The CMC incorporates a breadth of specialist expertise and experience

The CMC employs lawyers, investigators, sworn police officers, social scientists, financial investigators, intelligence analysts, information technology and surveillance specialists, administrators and support officers. See pages 51–55.

Our communication objective

The Crime and Misconduct Commission depends on the confidence of the people of Queensland. Our annual report details the work we undertook on their behalf in 2010–11, what we did and why, and how we spent our budget. It enables the Minister, the parliamentary committee, members of parliament and the people of Queensland to assess the efficiency, effectiveness and economy of the CMC, in accordance with the requirements of the *Financial Accountability Act 2009*.

We welcome your [feedback](#) on this report. See the front and back inside covers for information concerning interpreter services and our contact details, or go to www.cmc.qld.gov.au.

Created	2001
Total budget	\$48.56 million in 2010–11
No. of employees (FTEs)	325 as at 30 June 2011
Governing legislation	<i>Crime and Misconduct Act 2001</i>
Complaints received in 2011	5124
Investigations undertaken	
Crime	28
Misconduct	118
Hearing days in 2010–11	
Crime	114
Misconduct	10

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